Dear Haines Borough Planning Commission and others that it may concern:

As adjacent land owners to the proposed developement on Front Street, we are opposed to the proposed burial of nearly 3/4 of an acre of pristine intertidal marine and avian habitat. We question the apparant lack of scrutiny by local government and tribal authorities. This is a big change from 2008 when we wanted to erect a small cabin on our 32x98 foot lot. The borough initially denied our land use permit application. It had to meet the approval of the tribal council. (see attached letters dated June 3, 2008 and June 1, 2009,) because it was the site of an old native village within the townsite historic discrict. The tribe subsequently required that a professional archaeologist be present if the ground was to be disturbed. (See letter dated June 24,2009) There was also a requirement that SHIPO also review the plans and reject them if they saw fit. Knowing full well the cultural sensitivity of the area, we chose to keep a low profile, building only 8 feet by 8 feet and doing our best to present only a minimal footprint. When we decided to expand the cabin to 12 feet wide, in 2011, it required a conditional use permit because the roof eave incroached upon the 10 ft. set back requirement. For this, the planning commission required a public hearing and also required that we contact by mail, both adjacent landowners and give them a chance to object. We sincerely hope the planning commission, the army corp of engineers, and the Haines borough not allow this project to go forward. David and Carol Pahl

Attachments: June 3, 2008 - Letter from Scott Hansen Environmental Services Coordinator CIA June 1, 2009 - Land Use Permit Application C-TNS-21-1900&1901 Steve Rizinger Planning and Zoning Technician

June 24, 2009 - Letter from Greg Stuckey, MBA, CAE Tribal Administrator

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Carol Pahl

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Tuesday, June 03, 2008 1:45 PM

Subject:

Cabin in Portage Cove

Dave -

Thank you for coming in to discuss your proposed development in the Portage Cove waterfront, which is part of the Townsite Historic District. This area contains an old native village site. As indicated in the Haines Borough Coastal Management Plan, discussion with tribal entities and the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) is required of your development by the Borough permitting process.

At this point in time the Tribe does not require an archaeological survey to determine any underground potential historic resources. However, the Council would like to review your development plans in a public meeting setting. If SHPO requires an archaeological survey of this type the Tribal Council would like to review SHPO's final determination on that information. As soon as you have a written statement from SHPO please send us a copy, and we will be happy to schedule you on the next available Council meeting. The Council would decide on the next steps, if any, at that meeting.

I have included Margie Goatley, SHPO Review and Compliance staff, in this communication – she will be able to either assist you or direct you to the appropriate person within SHPO.

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Scott Hansen **Environmental Services Coordinator** Chilkoot Indian Association P.O. Box 490 Haines, AK 99827 (907) 766-2323 Fax 766-2365

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June 1, 2009

Dave Pahl PO Box 702 Haines, AK 99827

Re: Land Use Permit Application C-TNS-21-1900 & 1901

Dear Mr. Pahl,

Your land use permit for a single family residence on the above listed property has been denied until Chilkoot Indian Association issues a statement saying that the project does not impact historic resources on the historic site. Upon receiving such a statement from CIA, Haines Borough will continue to process your permit application. Thank you for your patience and properly permitting your SFR. If you have any questions on the matter please contact the borough.

Sincerely

Steve Ritzinger

Haines Borough Planning and Zoning Technician

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June 24, 2009

David Pahl Haines AK 99827

Dear Mr. Pahl:

At the June 17 Chilkoot Indian Association Tribal Council meeting the topic of development within the Historic Town site, as required by the Haines Coastal Management Plan, was discussed.

The Tribal Council requires one of the following: 1) an archeologist present during all excavations to ensure any artifacts can be documented and retrieved; or 2) an archeologist completes a cultural survey of the affected property and deems it to be unnecessary to have an archeologist on site. A copy of the report or assurance by the property owner that an archeologist will be present must be submitted to the Tribe.

I understand the frustration you feel with this particular project. I regret the State Historic Preservation Office was unwilling to lend their expertise to this process to protect any historic resources. I will continue to work with the Haines Borough to develop a mutually acceptable process for issuing permits within the Historic Town site.

Sincerely,

Greg Stuckey, MBA, CAE

Tribal Administrator

Cc: Haines Borough Planning and Zoning Technician